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MEMORANDUM FOR CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

SUBJECT: SR-71 Plans (U)

- References:** (a) JCSM 445-67, subject as above, dtd 10 Aug 67
(b) DepSecDef memo for CJCS, subject as above, dtd 19 Sep 67

The National Reconnaissance Executive Committee has recommended that the deployment of the SR-71, as set forth in References (a) and (b), be held in abeyance pending additional analysis of OXCART/SR-71 operational characteristics. Please take the necessary actions so that the SR-71 can assume the OXCART mission on 15 February 1968.

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